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THE SLACKER

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Of all the words in the English language at the present time, the most appropriate is the word "Slacker." Webster defines it as "one who is lethargic, one hardly more palatable than one sickly, whose presence about the mill is a disgrace to American citizenship today. The first variety is the one who has failed to register for military service under false pretenses—the man of means who swears he is the only support of his wife and children. He is a bigger liar than Ananias, Judas Iscariot, or Benedict Arnold. He is a traitor of worse just as truly as the German army protected itself by women and children and civilians, anyone—woman who urges or aids—is adjudged a traitor to the cause of freedom in that manner is as big a "slacker" as he is, and he being a woman does not lessen the crime. The boys who went to the Red Cross Work and other war service redeem her nor save her citizenship in the last day. Can their conscience be clean, when the work-shirker is wearing the clothes bought by the boys and his wife taking up his work and carries it on like a true soldier? The woman who cannot support herself in America today should be ashamed to live and there is no justification for the feeble-minded. Another class of "slackers" is composed of those who ask exemption on the ground of large crops, and that the country needs them. There is plenty of these and they are no better, if not worse, than the first. Then we find our military service exempts care of the crops, and the man who is exempted on the ground necessary for the sole purpose to avoid military duty is indirectly aiding the murderous leader of the German hordes of invasion, and is unworthy to enjoy the liberty and freedom which is his country gives him. Another class of "slackers" is composed of those who refuse to give of their means who refuse to give of their means or money to the various war organizations and lend relief work in this country and for the boys "over there." Of course we have a few of this class who would lend to the financial "slackers." Men and women who value the dollar more than they do human life. That class of people would, if the occasion presented itself, be perfectly comfortable to see a woman murdered or outraged and children maimed or mutilated rather than give a ten cent piece or a quarter to prevent it. We have a few of this class in Montgomery county but the other contempt that we have for them. The day is coming when these "slackers" will wish that they had responded to their Country's call. Their children will point to them and refuse to accept anything that their money to the various war organizations and relief work in this country and for the boys "over there." Of course we have a few of this class who would lend to the financial "slackers." Men and women who value the dollar more than they do human life. That class of people would, if the occasion presented itself, be perfectly comfortable to see a woman murdered or outraged and children maimed or mutilated rather than give a ten cent piece or a quarter to prevent it. We have a few of this class in Montgomery county but the other contempt that we have for them. The day is coming when these "slackers" will wish that they had responded to their Country's call. Their children will point to them and refuse to accept anything that their money would have given voluntary to aid our boys. Confession methods are useless at this time. With Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt in command of the volunteers to conquer Germany it is evident that the soldiers across the sea will not be the only ones to fight for the liberty. We must do our part in securing and we must help to bear it and not defeat.

BOB SEEDS, Humorist.

Genial, whole-souled, a prince of entertainers, a king of good fellowship, full of fun, facts and philosophy, is one of the most popular speakers on the platform of Prevention and Relief. He has been a successful newspaper man, a writer of humorous articles, business letters, etc. As a writer of verses just as truly as the German army protected itself by women and children and civilians, anyone—woman who urges or aids—adjudged a traitor to the cause of freedom in that manner is as big a "slacker" as he is, and he being a woman does not lessen the crime. The boys who went to the Red Cross Work and other war service redeem her nor save her citizenship in the last day. Can their conscience be clean, when the work-shirker is wearing the clothes bought by the boys and his wife taking up his work and carries it on like a true soldier? The woman who cannot support herself in America today should be ashamed to live and there is no justification for the feeble-minded. Another class of "slackers" is composed of those who ask exemption on the ground of large crops, and that the country needs them. There is plenty of these and they are no better, if not worse, than the first. Then we find our military service exempts care of the crops, and the man who is exempted on the ground necessary for the sole purpose to avoid military duty is indirectly aiding the murderous leader of the German hordes of invasion, and is unworthy to enjoy the liberty and freedom which is his country gives him. Another class of "slackers" is composed of those who refuse to give of their means who refuse to give of their means or money to the various war organizations and relief work in this country and for the boys "over there." Of course we have a few of this class who would lend to the financial "slackers." Men and women who value the dollar more than they do human life. That class of people would, if the occasion presented itself, be perfectly comfortable to see a woman murdered or outraged and children maimed or mutilated rather than give a ten cent piece or a quarter to prevent it. We have a few of this class in Montgomery county but the other contempt that we have for them. The day is coming when these "slackers" will wish that they had responded to their Country's call. Their children will point to them and refuse to accept anything that their money would have given voluntary to aid our boys. Confession methods are useless at this time. With Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt in command of the volunteers to conquer Germany it is evident that the soldiers across the sea will not be the only ones to fight for the liberty. We must do our part in securing and we must help to bear it and not defeat.

DR. GABRIEL K. MAGUIRE,
F. R. G. S.

A celebrated African explorer, traveler and lecturer, and at present the famous purger of the Kingdom throughout the country. He will be here for one afternoon only—Thursday, June 27th. Everybody will want to be to lecture, is one of the "members" of the Evening Chautauqua.

Dr. Maguire's art features many grands, highest grade. His bargain will last. Corporation methods are useless at this time. With Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt in command of the volunteers to conquer Germany it is evident that the soldiers across the sea will not be the only ones to fight for the liberty. We must do our part in securing and we must help to bear it and not defeat.

OUR FIGHTING FORCES

Need the country more than you do? Who is to have it? You or them? Hon. Harvey Sharpe from 1 to 2 Taylor, Buttonville.

FOR SALE — One second-hand Clipper Mower, in good condition, three-cutter, will sell cheap.

ZOY SMITH, Carlisle, RII.

Teachers' examination will be held in Carroll Court room on June 21 and 22, commence at 8:30.

TDA TAYLOR, Superintendent.

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

Sam Worthington, One of the People
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Mrs. Jenkins, Keeper of the Boarding House
Angelina Maud, Her daughter
Mrs Louisa Hawthorne, Boarder
Theodore Hall, Boarder
Miss Biddle, Suffragette
Fanny Lou, Friend of Fairy Tales
Nora, maid
Delphine Norton, College graduate
Peggy Gilbert, A flowering friend
Billy Bird, Captain of Varsity Team
Davis Hall, An athletic girl
Lord Algernon Ringold, Straight from England
Chas. Norton, Owner of Works

Ruth Gallaraith
Coleman Cromer
Mayme Jackson
Daniel Blake
Elizabeth Lauch
Geneva Galbraith
Ruth Gallaraith
Beatrice Carpenter
Ruth Gallaraith
Ruth Collier
Grace Myers
Elizabeth Barr
Edna Eubert
Robert Fisher
Frances Gillespie
Newman Ellicott
Mr. Troutman

SCENE—A Factory Town.

ACT I. Parlor in Mrs. Jenkins' Boarding House.
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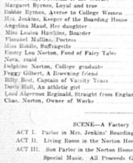
Special Music. All Proceeds Go For War Fund.



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CHANCE TO GET GOOD JOB IN THE ARMY

If you are a graduate of grammar school and fifteen and have mechanical experience and aptitude for mechanical work, you may volunteer now for service training at the Tennessee Institute of Technology.

You must decide at once, though, and report in your local board.

The train leaves at 8:00 a.m. call full.

TO ALL LOCAL BOARDS OF KY.: VOLUNTARY ENLISTMENTS OF FULLY QUALIFIED MEN.

1. Voluntary enlistments announced in the War Department Bulletin which will relieve Twelve hundred and three grammar school graduates who have had mechanical experience along mechanical lines and who have demonstrated aptitude for the special technical training Officers' Training Corps Enlistments in Aviation Mechanics, Engineering, line-men and radio operators.

2. Only white men and physically qualified for general military service are to be inducted under this call.

3. Selected men for this service will be given intensive training in mechanics, training at Government expense. Training there is here in army pay numbers both at the front and back of the battle line.

4. Men taking this course will receive the same pay and allowances as men of great personal value in working out the problems of the front line trench and in Civil life. The men will be selected from those who have had the best training in mechanics, and who have demonstrated sound sense at the time of their induction into the service.

5. Local boards will call upon the local branches of the service in accordance with the plan of the Provost Marshal General to exercise no assurance of an selection for the Aviation Section, Signal Corps.

6. Qualified registrants. Those men who have the following mechanical qualifications required who present themselves for induction into the service will have selection sent to Nashville, Tenn. On Saturday, June 22nd, report must be made to the local board by the number of men who have presented themselves for induction into the service. If the number is not sufficient, local boards will be called upon to induct qualified registrants.

7. No inductions will be made by local boards after June 22nd. Men who report must report not later than June 22nd. Please give this call the widest publicity possible. Men who have had a grammar school education and who have had mechanical experience and who have demonstrated aptitude for mechanical work should apply.

8. Men will be assigned to training camps in Nashville, Tenn. Local boards will be called upon to induct qualified registrants.

HENRY F. RHODES,
Lt. Col. Inf. U. S. A.
Executive Service Dept., Ky.

ELEVEN KILLED IN TWO AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS

Tuesday morning five people of Bullit county were killed on a railroad crossing one mile south of Bradenton.

Tuesday afternoon six people were killed in Jones' Crossing, Ky., by a Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific train.

The Bullit county victims were: Mrs. Ella Davis McCracken, wife of the following justice of the peace, Albert Hewlett, and a three weeks' old son of Mrs. Lucy Hewlett. The Davis girl Lee was taken to Louisville in a critical condition.

The victims of the Jones' Crossing accident were George Hume, business man of Louisville, and his wife and daughter, the oldest being 7 years old. Every member of the family was killed.

PUBLIC SPEAKING FOR SUNDAY

J. B. Rice, Chairman of the Speaking Committee of the Y. M. C. A. announces the following public speakers for Sunday afternoon, June 23, at three o'clock:

Ishmael: Subject, "Ishmael."
Bethville: William Cowley; John Mathias.
Bethlehem Christian Church: Judge Hall.
Headquarters: W. M. Roberts, I. B. Rice.
East Union: Sam K. Veach, Paul Dudley.
Hall Hill: C. M. Swinford, Harry Campbell, W. E. Purcell.
Mt. J. B. Rice has announced the following public speakers for Sunday afternoon, June 30, at three o'clock:
Bethville: Judge Hall.
Bethlehem: Judge Judge D. C. Bell.
Mt. Zion: Judge J. W. Craten.

See our line of Men's Silk Shirts. EFFRON'S

CHAUTAUQUA AND THE WAR.

The Chautauqua movement in this democratic nation more than the physical equipment. Leaders who have undertaken the brain power; the thought power; the will power; the moral energy of a people. Whatsoever controls the thought of a people controls in this grave hour serves humanity. President Wilson has said the Chautauqua is the service. Its lectures, its music, are effective instruments for the delivery and interpretation of democracy's meaning and democracy's needs. The work it is doing, has no less importance because of war; rather has gained new opportunities for service.

Secretary of War Baker says that for taking the sting out of the word "draft" we gave them the Chautauqua.

TAKE A PART IN THE WAR; BUY WAR SAVING STAMPS

From D. E. Wilson & Co. at Hookstown.

Owing to the fact that the Government has fixed a price of 26 cents the pound for Chicken Feed we will be obliged to charge 28 cents the pound for same. D. E. WILSON & CO.

TILTON RIDES A ROBERTS

Did you see that new line of neck wear Sam Veach is showing. Everybody wears them. Sam has the best in town.

Why suffer with those tender feet when we can supply you with "Old Time" Comfort Shoes and Hosiery; be comfortable.

R. T. HOLLAND & CO.

FOUND—In the pulpit room the Peoples' Warehouse a pair of buggy harness traces. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for this advertisement.

Get a big value during the Shirt Sale at EFFRON'S.

GOEBEL CITY

Mr. William Young, of Bourbon county, and Miss Lucile Hamilton, of Sharpsburg, were visitors in our town Sunday afternoon.

Miss Margaret Barker is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lee Yarber, at Jacksonville.

There are under way for engaging Rev. Brooks to preach four Sundays a month at East Union and he has intimated his intention of preparing a sermon for each Sunday. He will be on at all events to do our part in the Lord's work.

Mr. G. D. Nash and wife spent Saturday night with R. W. Neal and family.

Mrs. Ed Hamilton and family have been visiting children on Caseday Creek during the past week.

Rev. Hart, of Owingsville, will begin a protracted meeting at Hall Hill on Sunday night, July 14. Let us all get ready to attend for Brother Hart is a good man and I am sure he will do us good. Don't forget to let us fill the old house to overflowing.

Miss Ella Hamilton, of Carlisle, has been visiting W. E. Christian and family the past week.

Rev. Ledgerwood, James Mitchell, Sr., and Mr. Hall, of Bourbon county, were visitors in Goebel Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Yarber and family and Mrs. Lucile Barker spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yarber.

Mrs. Nannie Hall and family spent Sunday with Mrs. J. F. Jacobs and family.

Mrs. Ernest Robinson and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Lucy Hewlett and family.

Mrs. Lena Hardin spent Sunday with Mrs. Lucile Wilson at Hall Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Yarber and daughter spent the Fourth of July in Vine Station.

Mrs. Ed. J. E. Jacobs entertained a number of friends Sunday. Mrs. Charles Powers and two children of Hamilton, Ohio, Mrs. and Mrs. Walter Berry and two children of Maysville, Mrs. and Mrs. Will Reynolds and Mrs. Wm. Reynolds of near Myers.

STRINGTOWN

Mr. Jas Ockerman and family and Mrs. Ella Davis McCracken visited with John Ockerman and wife, at Stringtown.

Mrs. Jesse Hoes and daughter Miss Ella Davis McCracken visited Mrs. Ockerman and family Sunday.

Miss Minerva Boger spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Rosa Russell, visited friends in Bourbon Sunday.

Quite a number of our citizens attended a social at Mt. Sterling Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lankenfelder spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Goode, business men of Mt. Sterling.

Mrs. Boger Fisher and Mrs. Jesse Hoes spent Monday with Mrs. John Kern, of Bourbon county.

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